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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: ALVAREZ ET AL.

Examiner: Teller, Roy R.

Serial No.: 09/079,819

Group Art Unit: 1653

Filed: May 15, 1998

Attorney Docket No.: 1101-209

For: RANDOM PEPTIDES THAT BIND TO GASTRO-  
INTESTINAL TRACT (GIT) TRANSPORT  
RECEPTORS AND RELATED METHODS

Confirmation No.: 8754

**PROVISIONAL ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.143 WITH TRAVERSE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated August 5, 2002, in which the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement, please consider the following remarks.

It is estimated that no fee is necessary for filing this Provisional Election. In the event a fee is required, please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

**REMARKS**

Claims 165-239 are pending in the present application. The Examiner has required an election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of one member of each of the following groups:

1. One receptor from among SEQ ID NO:178, 176, 179 and 181  
classified in class 530, subclass 350; and
2. One partner peptide selected from the sequences of SEQ ID NOS:1-55  
and SEQ ID NOS: 253-265, classified in class 530 subclass 300.

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